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**INSTRUCT THE DELEGATES.**

The time is short now until delegates will be chosen to the Democratic State Convention which meets here the second of next month.

The most important matter that will come before the people will be the question of instructing delegates to the State Convention relative to the proposition to amend the State Constitution.

In the premises there are two points at issue:

1. Shall the calling of a convention to amend the Constitution be made a party issue by the Democratic State Convention?

2. Shall the State Convention pledge the party to a submission of the amended Constitution to a vote of the people for ratification or rejection?

In a number of counties conventions have already been held. Some have instructed their delegates to vote for the first of these propositions. Some of them have instructed their delegates to vote for the second, if the first shall be carried.

What action should the people take in regard to this matter? The Virginian-Pilot believes that they should instruct their delegates to vote "aye" on both propositions.

There will be agitation until the present Constitution is amended or a new one written. The issue is now up, and it may as well be settled in favor of revision or amendment or a new Constitution. For reasons sufficiently well understood the Democratic party must do this work. Therefore, let the delegates from this county be instructed to vote in the State Convention to commit the Democratic party to revision of the Constitution by a convention: provided, that the revised Constitution shall be submitted to a vote of the people, to be adopted or rejected, as they in their wisdom shall see fit.

As we have pointed out before, however necessary changes in the fundamental law of the State may be, it is of equal importance that any and all changes shall be passed on by the sovereign people. It is too important to leave to the discretion of uninstructed delegates. In the State Convention pressure will be brought to bear upon them to vote against binding the party to submit the amended Constitution to the test of a popular vote. They will be urged to leave the determination of that question to the convention that amends the Constitution. They will be told that a popular vote on the amended Constitution will necessitate a hot campaign, and portentous dangers will be conjured up to enforce the argument. And the conjurers, to a man, will avow that there will be no risk in leaving a convention to frame a Constitution and put it into operation without the formality of referring it to the people.

Therefore, instruct the delegates. Instruct them to vote "first, last and all the time" to bind the party to submit any Constitution for the framing of which it is responsible to a vote of the people of Virginia. Good faith, straightforward public policy, all precedent, and the principles on which Democracy rests demand this. Send a delegation to the State Convention strongly and unequivocally pledged to it.

Senator Chandler says Roosevelt has no right to refuse a Vice-Presidential nomination. A commander-in-Chief President would be in line with the new policy of imperialism.

Dr. William R. Harper, as president of Chicago University, has shown himself to be a man of force. In some respects he is typically American. He looks at things in a large way. He knows what he wants and goes after it. Usually he gets it. John D. Rockefeller can testify to that. He never knows when he has enough, or rather, he never has enough. Rockefeller can also bear witness to that. These characteristics have afforded to American humorists an opportunity for "poking fun" at Dr. Harper that has not by any means been neglected.

Now Dr. Harper is going to Russia to invite Count Leo Tolstol to go to Chicago. Dr. Harper tells the New York Journal that he understands that Count Tolstol is "longing to leave a county where he believes the masses were being downtrodden," and adds:

"One can readily understand how this genius, born to wealth and rank, rebels against the narrow, crushing, hopeless struggle for existence of the Russian serf when his books are understood and analyzed."

If, as Dr. Harper alleges, the author of Anna Karenina and the great evangel of the doctrine of non-resistance, wants to leave Russia, why does he not leave? Surely he is old enough and wise enough to know his own mind, and to know that any nation of the civilized world would gladly welcome him as a visitor or as a citizen. Certainly a pilgrimage of Dr. Harper was hardly required to enlighten Count Tolstol as to the sentiments entertained toward him in America. So far as has appeared the truly good John Wanamaker, who was shocked by the "Kreutzer Sonata," is the only American who would not be pleased to have the great Russian come, so far as they have considered the matter one way or another.

Wherefore, then, the Harper pilgrimage? Americans have been laughed at sufficiently for toadying foreign notables who voluntarily visit our shores. Are we to have a new chapter of the story, in which the heads of our great universities will go abroad and chase the notables to earth on their native heath, constraining them, vi et armis, to come over and dwell among us.

Count Tolstol is quite capable of tending to his own affairs. There is no apparent reason why the privilege should be denied him. It is altogether probable that, having devoted himself to the betterment of his fellows, Count Tolstol prefers to remain where there is the greatest need of his services, and to ameliorate, so far as may be the "narrow, crushing, hopeless struggle for existence of the Russian serf."

**A MOVEMENT TO BE EMULATED**

A movement has been started in Philadelphia that is worthy of emulation by every city and town of the country—a movement "to promote the artistic treatment of city spaces and buildings." The ugliness of the American city has been for long a fruitful source of jests with foreigners, and far from an occasion of pride or complaisance to cultured Americans. This was, of course, accounted for by the "newness" of the country, its phenomenal growth, the absorption of its people in material affairs, and the consequent predominance of considerations of mere utility.

The country now, however, is somewhat less new than formerly, and there is growing to be a large class of citizens who are not wholly absorbed in money-making. They have both the leisure and the desire for other things, and surely they could not turn them to any field where the need of laborers is more urgent than that which Philadelphia proposes to fill.

To accomplish anything in this direction organization is necessary. In Philadelphia twenty organizations took part in the formation of the society, including associations of architects and engineers, art clubs, park and forestry associations, and, of course, members of the municipal government.

It is obvious that the larger the city the longer the time that will be required for such an organization to make its influence perceptible in the heightened art of city buildings and parks. Nevertheless, it can be done, and the movement, once well under way, will go forward of its own momentum. It is, however, easier to build a city right than to pull it down and build it over; it is largely a matter of influencing growth in the right direction. The application of these observations to Norfolk is obvious. It is a rapidly growing city. That it should grow in beauty as it grows in size is a proposition that should appeal to the civic pride of every public-spirited citizen. That a society, having the same object as the one above referred to, could do much to influence an artistic development, there is no room to doubt.

The policy of this paper with reference to the Democratic primary is well known. We have repeatedly stated that, as a party organ, we would not support any candidate for nomination at a Democratic primary as against any other candidate, and we do not propose to depart from that principle. However, when we find a Democratic Mayor ATTACKED BY A REPUBLICAN in print and mass-meeting, and when we find these attacks current in the community, and when we further find that these attacks are unfounded in fact, we feel that it is our duty as a Democratic paper to comment thereon so that injustice be not done a Democrat elected to office. It is with distinct pleasure, therefore, that we call the attention of the public to the manly and straightforward letter of Mayor Johnston, published in our Sunday issue, in which he answers these attacks of a Republican, and summarizes the chief events of his administration. And we think that every true Democrat, NO MATTER HOW HE PROPOSES TO VOTE AT TO-DAY'S PRIMARY, will feel gratified (if he has heard of these attacks) that the Democratic party has no reason to apologize for the present executive head of the city, as against the attacks of a Republican.

In a recent speech of Viceroy Curzon some interesting data was given as to the distressing famine now prevalent in India. The damage to the wheat crop by drought he put at \$40,000,000; to cotton crop, \$35,000,000; to oilseed crop of 18,000,000 acres it has brought almost total destruction. The Viceroy estimated that the famine would cost the Government \$42,000,000 apart from loans. In some of the provinces the deaths from starvation have been as high as 3,250 per month. It is small wonder that the heart of the civilized world is moved with pity at the contemplation of this spectacle.

What we want is a new Constitution built for the people and not for officeholders and politicians.—Newport News Herald.

That is an excellent statement of the case so far as it goes. It is a proposition which we believe the vast majority of the Democrats of Virginia approve. Our contemporary might very well have added that we do not want a Constitution built for any special class, or interests. The only way to make sure that the Constitution will be "built for the people" is to make sure that it will have to be submitted to, and approved by, the people.

The decision of Judge Leathers, at Indianapolis, that the Master Plumbers' Association and the contracts it enforces with dealers in plumbers' supplies, constitute a "conspiracy in restraint of trade" will interest householders and plumbers. The Indianapolis association had formed a combination to prevent plumbers, other than members of the association, from purchasing the materials of the trade, compelling the assent of the dealers to the agreement. Under the decision, those who have been injured by this agreement may recover damages.

Easy Boss Platt is disposed to keep Teddy Roosevelt on the anxious seat until after the National Republican Convention. The State Convention which meets to select delegates to the national gathering will not be allowed to endorse Roosevelt for re-election, but will content itself with a perfunctory compliment to his administration. As the convention to nominate State officers does not meet until September, the Boss doubtless thinks he may get Teddy off his hands by shoving him on the national party.

Already there is a great rush for the offices created by the scheme of government for Porto Rico, and the swarm of volunteers who are anxious to sacrifice themselves on the pie counter of their country is out of all proportions to the provender on that time-honored expanse of mahogany. They will be filled, as Federal places have been heretofore under this administration, by the leather-lunged and deft-fingered gentlemen who were so servicable on the stump and in the polling booths in 1896.

It begins to look like the fruit crop of the far South may escape destruction this year. The frosts of last week are reported to have done little damage, and as far north as Georgia the danger is regarded as past. This means millions of dollars to the South and a beautiful supply of fruit at reasonable prices. Destruction of the South's fruit crop is always a calamity to the whole country.

It is now asserted that Senator Clark will not resign. From the methods by which he got in the public inferred that he would have to be kicked out, and will try to bear up while it is being done.

The passage by a Republican House of a resolution favoring election of United States Senators by the people direct indicates that hereafter the campaign thunder-mill will be worked over-time.

A \$500,000 government yacht is to be placed at the disposal of the Governor of Porto Rico. Our pro-consuls are not to be exiled from court without some compensating splendors.

Just at present all of Paris has an eye on the box-office. France will be the friend of all the world now, until the show is over.

Mr. Talbert, of South Carolina, is in danger of becoming the Ben Tillman of the other wing.

The Telegraphers seem to be hampered with a sort of Buller of a commander.

**NOTES AND OPINIONS.**

**PUT MONEY IN-THE PURSE.**  
(Richmond News.)

Should a Constitutional Convention be called for Virginia it may be able to provide many sure ways of putting a good deal of money in the till in one way and another.

In regard to chartering the trusts the Richmond Times says: "Several years ago the people of Virginia got it into their heads that great corporations were criminal and the Legislature was so liberal that the American Tobacco Company was compelled to go to New Jersey for its charter. The people of New Jersey saw their opportunity, and afforded liberal terms to corporations, with the result that the State has largely paid its operating expenses through its charter fees, and

taxation has been reduced to the minimum.

Virginia lost a great opportunity, and all through prejudice. If this State had at that time showed the same liberal spirit towards corporations as the money which has been poured into the treasury of New Jersey would have found its way into the treasury of Virginia.

Some few years ago, when North Dakota was framing a constitution, the Louisiana lottery offered a tremendous sum for the incorporation of a lottery provision, and it is barely possible that by a little judicious advertising we can find the lost scheme in "Honduras," and rehabilitate it in the States.

What we want evidently is money. Everything appears at least to be tolerable if it carries a banking surplus, and the "jingle of the guinea" is the pleasing accompaniment for the songs of the present day. This may be our great chance; we may not be right, but we can surely be rich.

**CAN'T STOP FOR BREAKFAST.**  
(Montgomery Advertiser.)

If Dewey starts in on a Presidential campaign he'll hardly find time to call a halt for breakfast.

**BRYAN IN NORTH CAROLINA.**  
(Wilson News.)

Lukewarm Democrats and the opponents of William Jennings Bryan in North Carolina assert very frequently that Bryan is weaker in North Carolina than four years ago, and that his popularity is on the ebb.

It would have been a revelation to such men to have been present at the immense Democratic State Convention in Raleigh, and to have seen the wave of enthusiasm roll over the convention at the mention of his name, and break out again and again, until men could shout no longer because of physical inability. In the convention all ninety-seven of the counties of North Carolina were represented by large delegations straight from the people, and these represented the views of their constituents.

Bryan weak in North Carolina! Rather say that Aycock has no following if this is denied. He is the choice of the people and to-day he is stronger than ever before and will sweep the State with an ever growing majority from Cherokee to Currituck.

**WHY BRYAN SHOULD BE AND WILL BE NOMINATED.**  
(New York Journal.)

Not only do William J. Bryan's party services in time of adversity entitle him to the Democratic nomination, but he is the best representative of that hostility to privilege, favoritism and corruption which is the essence of Democracy, and which has become the one vital issue in American politics.

The American people all love and honor Dewey, but many believe that the grand old man is being deceived and used by McLean and a clique of corruptionists.

The Journal is happy to learn that Dewey is a Democrat, and is sure that as a Democrat he will be called upon to support and strengthen in some adequate capacity the coming Democratic administration.

But the Journal stands, as it has always stood, for William Jennings Bryan as President of the United States. W. R. HEARST.

**WILL BE ELECTED, TOO.**  
(Columbia State.)

The "anti-Bryan" men have a hopeless case. Not even the hero of Manila Bay can supplant the candidate of 1896. He is stronger to-day in his party than he was four years ago, just as he is stronger in the nation. He has worked and planned for four years without making one serious error as a party leader and without doing one thing unbecoming in a patriot. His opponents cannot attack his personality. His political beliefs are subjects for argument, but his private and unassailable.

William J. Bryan will be the Democratic nominee and the probabilities are that he will be the next President.

**WHAT THEY DIDN'T ENDORSE.**  
(Washington Post.)

The Virginia Republicans endorsed about everything except the manner in which Congressman Young was relieved of his seat.

**TROUBLE FOR THE ENDORSERS.**  
(New York Evening Post.)

The convention of the Maine Republicans yesterday strikingly illustrated how much at sea the party now is. It endorsed the "wise, patriotic and progressive administration" of President McKinley, and also endorsed the work of the Senators and Representatives of Maine in Congress. Yet on the day that this platform was adopted one of those Representatives was voting against a measure which Mr. McKinley has been pushing with all the force of the Administration, and Mr. Littlefield is on record as holding this measure to be the very reverse of wise, patriotic and progressive.

**COUNTING THE PROFITS.**  
(Baltimore Herald.)

Presidential Convention plumbs are rare on the border line between Kansas and Missouri, and Kansas City has already been doing some figuring on prospective visitors. Like the milkmaid who prematurely counted her eggs, the Missouri city estimates that there ought reasonably to be 100,000 visitors during the four days which the convention is expected to last.

These may fairly be relied upon to spend an average of \$30 each during their stay. This would constitute a total of \$3,000,000, and the net profits (after we have paid the \$1,000,000. This, of course, would be a very fair return for the outlay of \$100,000 to secure the convention.

**To the Ladies**  
Millinery For Easter  
Week . . . . .

We have received in addition to our stock FIFTY DOZEN LEIGHORN HATS, ranging in prices from 65c. to \$2.00. A large assortment of FANCY HATS in Chip, Neapol, Tan, Pine Straw and all other kinds of brands. The newest WALKING HATS. New foliage, flowers, crests and ornaments. In fact we have an immense stock of all kinds of MILLINERY GOODS. We will guarantee our prices. The ladies are respectfully invited to examine our goods.

No trouble to show them.

**MRS. P. RIES,**  
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**Men's Clothing.**

Going to talk of Fancy Vests to-day, but a word first about Suits and Overcoats, because more people want them.

Overcoats, \$8.50 to \$30; silk-lined, \$10 to \$30; raglan, \$12 to \$30.

Suits, \$8.50 to \$30. We haven't got so many of a kind of the fancy suits as most stores.

That has its advantages and a disadvantage.

The advantages are: they don't get common; we can keep more kinds; we don't lose so much if a pattern is not successful.

The disadvantage is: we don't always have your size in every sort. You may have to take your second choice—which, however, with so big a variety, is at least as good as first choice elsewhere.

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April weather coats—showers and sunshine and cold breezes all look alike when you have one on your back.

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It's a secret—the woolen yarn is prepared some way so that when made into cloth it turns the water like a duck's back.

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### To the People of the City of Norfolk.

Profoundly grateful for the confidence reposed in me in the past, and conscious of the faithful performance of the duties entrusted to me, I most respectfully announce myself as a candidate for the office of Commissioner of the Revenue, subject to the Democratic Primary, to be held April 17th. Pledging my best efforts in the performance of every duty, and holding myself ever ready to obey every call of my fellow citizens, I beg your support and influence.

Very respectfully,  
W. W. DEY.

**F**OR CITY COLLECTOR.  
I respectfully solicit your support for re-election.

**JAMES F. REID.**

Subject to Democratic primary. ap4-tdp

**TO MY FRIENDS AND FELLOW CITIZENS:** I thank you for past favors, and take this opportunity of expressing it. I most earnestly solicit your support in the coming primary for re-election of Clerk of the Market. Respectfully yours, ABE MOSES. Subject to Democratic primary. ap4-tf

**F**OR PHYSICIAN TO ALMSHOUSE (Health Officer).

**DR. C. D. J. MACDONALD.**  
I respectfully solicit your vote and influence. Subject to the Democratic primary. ap5-tt9

**F**OR HEALTH OFFICER AND PHYSICIAN TO ALMSHOUSE.—I respectfully solicit your vote for re-election.

**DR. STARK A. SUTTON.**

Subject to the Democratic primary. ap4-td

**TO MY FRIENDS AND FELLOW CITIZENS:** I respectfully announce myself a candidate for KEEPER OF CEMETERIES and ask your support.

**J. T. MARSHALL**

Subject to Democratic primary. mh25-1m

**F**OR CITY COLLECTOR.

**Wm. L. BAKER.**

Subject to Democratic Primary. ap3-td

**F**OR COMMONWEALTH'S ATTORNEY.

**W. H. VENABLE.**

Subject to the Democratic Primary. ap7-tdp

**F**OR STREET INSPECTOR—

**B. L. CHRISTIAN**

Subject to the Democratic Primary. ap1-2w

**F**OR CITY TREASURER.—I EARNESTLY solicit the support of my fellow citizens for re-election to the position of

**City Treasurer.**

**H. S. HERMAN.**

Subject to Democratic primary. mh21-tdp

**F**OR MAYOR.

**DR. JAS. G. RIDDICK.**

Subject to the Democratic Primary. Your vote is respectfully solicited. mh20-1m

**I** RESPECTFULLY ANNOUNCE MYSELF a candidate for election to the office of

**COMMISSIONER OF REVENUE**

(Subject to the Democratic Primary.)

**W. P. DODSON.**

**F**OR SUPERINTENDENT OF CEMETERIES.

I respectfully solicit your vote and influence for re-election.

**JOHN M. BROUGHTON.**

Subject to the Democratic primary. mh25-we, fr, su-tdp

**T. B. TURNER.** I RESPECTFULLY announce myself a candidate for your trade and patronage. Subject to Small Fruits. Cor. Park and Brambleton avenues.

**A. G. DUNCAN**

—FOR—

—KEEPER OF THE ALMSHOUSE.—

I respectfully solicit your support. Subject to the Democratic Primary. ap1-2w

**F**OR CITY TREASURER.—

**WILLOUGHBY T. COOKE.**

Subject to Democratic Primary. mh23-tdp

**For City Sergeant.**

**I** RESPECTFULLY SOLICIT YOUR VOTE AND INFLUENCE FOR RE-ELECTION.

**JOHN F. LAWLER.**

Subject to Democratic primary. mh21-1m

**FOR CITY SERGEANT**

I respectfully solicit the support of my fellow-citizens.

**R. S. WEAVER**

Subject to the Democratic primary. mh25-tdp

**F**OR RE-ELECTION TO

Clerk of the Corporation Court

—AND—

Court of Law and Chancery.

**L. ROYSTER.**

Subject to Democratic primary. mh23-tdp

**F**OR INSPECTOR OF STREETS.—

I respectfully announce myself for the office of INSPECTOR OF STREETS, and ask the support of my fellow citizens. If elected, I shall give the same attention to the streets of the city as I do to the other wards of the city.

Respectfully,  
**J. ARNOLD DALBY.**

Subject to the Democratic Primary. mh25-2w

**I** RESPECTFULLY ANNOUNCE MYSELF an independent candidate for CLERK OF THE COURTS, and earnestly request the support of all voters.

**LUTHER R. BRITT.**

ap5-td

**F**OR MAYOR—

I respectfully announce myself a candidate for re-election.